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PRESIDENT'S WIFE **MEETS DEATH AT** THE WHITE HOUSE

First Lady of the Land Succumbs to a Complication of Diseases.

DIES AT FIVE IN AFTERNOON

Executive Completely Prostrated and Breaks Down When the End Comes.

FAMILY IS AT HER BEDSIDE Husband, Three Daughters and Son-

in-Law Are Present Until the Last.

Senate Passes Bill in Which She Was Interested.

ST. MULANTS FAIL TO SAVE

KNOWN AS BEAUTIFUL WOMAN

Liked to Prepare Dishes or Have Them Prepared Under Her Personal Supervision for Spouse.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 .- Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president of the United States, died at the White House today at 5 p. m. of a

complication of diseases. When the president recovered from the first shock of his wife's death he sent several telegrams to im-Secretary Tumulty to express his ap-

which poured in. A pall of gloom settled over the White House. All shades were drawn and everyone talked in whispers. Mrs. Wilson was particularly beloved by all servants and employes about the White House. None of them made any effort to hide

their deep grief. Mrs. Wilson had been unconscious for varying periods since Monday. and while her condition was known to her intimate friends, news of it hopes were entertained for her re-

Children Summoned. So serious had Mrs. Wilson's condition become during the last few days that her children were summoned to her bedside

and they were with her at the end. The end came after two serious sinking spelis. The president and her three daughters and Francis B. Sayre were at the bedside at the end.

The president was completely prostrated when his wife died and broke down entirely. When Secretary Tumulty entered the executive offices to tell the waiting newspaper men his cheeks were

Repeated consultations of medical advisers did not succeed in discovering methods of saving the distinguished patient. Oxygen and other artificial stimulants had been used for two days.

Not Out for Weeks. Wilson had not been out of the White House for three weeks, her last outdoor visit having been to the White House gardens, in which she took a deep interest. Her death came as a great shock to the many friends she has made since she came to Wasnington. A number (Continued on Page Two.)

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Friday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Fair, slightly cooler. Temperature at omana



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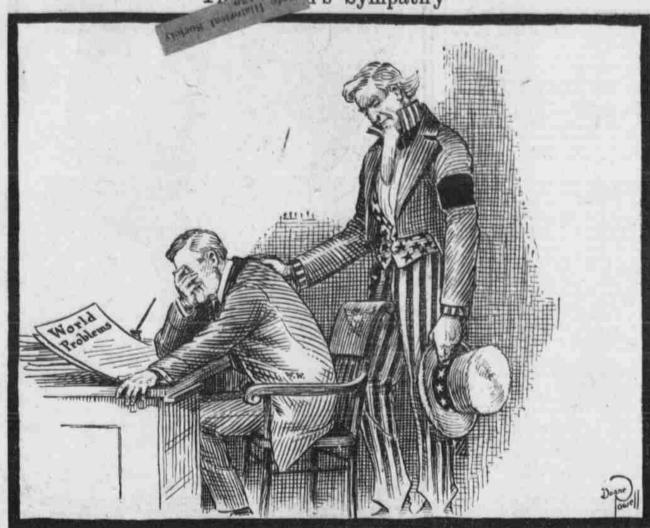
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Salt Lake City, cloudy.
Santa Fe, cloudy.
Sheridan, cloudy
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Valentine, clear

indicates trace of precipitation. L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster. Belgium by land and sea." The n's Sympathy



Drawn for The Bee by Powell

WEEK YET TO MASS MEN FOR BIG FIGHT

More Time Needed, According to Expert, Before Each Side May Give Battle.

mediate relatives and sent word to SMALL ENGAGEMENTS SO FAR

preciation of the many condolences Encounters Taking Place Between Outposts Are to Mask Movements of Troops Behind Advance Guards.

(Copyright, 1914, Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Aug. &-(Special Cablegrain says it will take Germany nine days more to place upon the Erench frontier forces adequate to challenge the French masses and it will take France about the same vance on one side or the other or or both can hardly begin before August 14. The first decisive battles of the war are was not generally circulated until no expected to take place between August

16 and 23. During the next week or ten days comonts and battles, of which we shall probably read, will not be the shock of main masses, but of covering troops, which are organized on all the continental frontiers and have a special mission. This mission is to cover and protect from hostile incursions the zone of concentration of the main armies, and the mission may or may not include offensive operations.

Mission of Advance Guards. The covering armies will act in co operation with frontier fortresses and if during the next ten days they prevent the enemy from breaking into the concentration zone, their mission will be car-

The patriotic spirit shown by the little Belgian state in the face of the German aggression could not be excelled. Germany's determination to advance through Belgium bears out the contention that (Continued on Page Three.)

Russian and German Cruisers Are Sunk in Fight at Wei Hai We

LONDON, Aug. 6, (3:37 p. m.)-A dispatch to the London Daily Mail from Tien Tsin says that the Russian cruiser Askold and the German cruiser Emden both have been sunk after an engagement off Wel Hai Wel, China.

The Emden was a protected cruiser of 3,592 tons. It carried ten 4.1-inch guns and was fitted with two torpedo tubes. The displacement of the Askold was 5,965 tons. Its armament consisted of twelve six-inch guns, twelve three-inch and eight eight-pounders. After the battle of the Yellow Sea in the Russo- Japanese war it was interned at Shanghai.

Austria Declares War Against Russia

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 6.-Austria-Hungary this evening declared war on

SUNDERLAND, Eng., Aug. 6.-8:45 p m.)-The German consul here was arrested today at the instance of the military authorities. The charges against him were not divulged.

Andrew Carnegie Says Britain is Right

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.-Andrew Carnegie, ne of the world's most distinguished peace advocates, approves of England's course in the present crisis. In a cable message from Scotland to the New York Evening Post, he says:

"Germany, having declined Britain's proposed peace conference and then having asked Britain to agree to its march through Beigium, Britain was bound to decline and declare that it would protect

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and it will take France about the same FRENCH RUSHING TO

Expedition Hastening Across Kingdom of Ally to Engage Oncoming Teutons.

KING ALBERT WILL COMMAND Germans' Presence in Belgium and

Holland Brings Half Million More Fighting Men to Aid of Triple Entente. (Copyright, 1914, Press Publishing Co.)

LONDON, Aug. 5 .- (Special Cablegram o New York World and Omaha Bee.)-Reports from the front, where the fighting was going on, and from the various capitals of the nations involved, seemed to show at midnight that the situation was this:

A German army, aiming a general advance down the river Meuse, through Belgium, toward France, was disastrously defeated at Liege, a city less than twenty miles within the Belgian border, and was thrown back with great losses.

This force was variously said to number from 80,000 to 100,000 men and had expected to sweep across the territory of the minor kingdom. It far outnumbered the gallant defenders.

French Enter Belgium. A French army of great strength, tonight entered Belgium through the province of Hainut in the southwest, and is hastening across country to reinforce the victorious Belgian army at Liege. This (Continued on Page Three.)

British Sink One German Cruiser and Take Another

MADRID, Aug. 6 .- A dispatch from the anary islands says a British squadron has sunk one German cruiser, the name of which is not given, and has captured another, which is being conveyed to

FORMER IOWA WOMAN DIES IN HONOLULU

SAC CITY, Aug., 6 .- (Special.)-Word nas been received of the death at Honolulu, Hawaii, on July 22, of Mrs. Cornelia Gesell Lamb, who formerly lived in Sac-City with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gesell, leaving several years ago to engage in mission work in the Hawati slands. She was married there about sixteen months ago to an Englishman residing at Honolulu. Her husband and an infant child survive her.

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MANY AMERICANS IN GREAT DANGER

Hundreds Are Staying in Resorts in Vicinity of Liege Where Fighting is Thickest.

CONDITIONS IN FRANCE BETTER Ambassador Penfield Making Stren-

uous Efforts to Get Them Out by Way of Trieste, Frume and Venice.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6 .- Grave fears were pressed here today for the safety of indreds of Americans, who it is believed were caught in the vicinity of the first battle yesterday in Belgium.

of Herve, Pepinster, Verviers, Vise and Argenteau, which are reported to have been attacked and in some instances sacked and burned by the German invaders. They are the gateways to Belgium's famous resorts. Spa, where many Americans are known to be, lies only two miles south of Pepinster. The railroad at Pepinster is reported to have been destroyed shutting off any opportunity for escape of foreigners. Verviers, where reports say the Germans met their first repulse, is the woolen center of Belgium, and is

famed for its manufactories. The loss of Liege, reported attacked by he Germans, would result in the abandonment of the great Cockerill works. which are to Belgium what the Krupp works are to Germany. The Cockerill (Continued on Page Three.)

Mauretania Makes Record Run Fleeing From Enemy Ships | tand. | The British steamer, Kansas City

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 6.-Completing is our days and ten hours its fastest and most dramatic voyage across the Atlantic. the mammoth Cunard liner Mauretania, from Liverpool for New York, arrived at Hallfax today with 2,400 passengers, mos of whom were Americans fleeing from war-rayaged Europe.

Passengers and mails will be landed here and sent by fast trains to New York Canada

At II:30 o'clock Wednesday night, while off Sable Island, the Mauretania was day. Buying and selling of a nonwarned by the British cruiser Essex to speculative character will be permitted change its course without delay and head and this, it is believed, will be effective for Hallfax. The helm was shifted so in clearing up many contracts hanging quickly that many passengers, joited by the shock as the ship heeled sharply, believed the steamer was turning turtle. Under the highest pressure of its tur-

oine engines, with all ports blanketed and cash basis in response to requests for not a light showing, it sped over the fourteen miles that lay between it and safety from German cruisers. Behind it camthe Essex, whose searchlights could be seen flashing at night across the horizon as it scanned the waters for the enemy. The Mauretania's passengers were no officially informed of what had occurred They have received no intimation of the declaration of war.

The Mauretania sailed from Liverpoo excitement. Many would-be passengers were left behind on the piers. From the noment the big liner left British shores the officers were on the siera and Halifax was held in mind as an alternative por in case of emergency.

Thirty-Nine Dead and Eight Missing

JOPLIN, Mo., Aug., 6.-Thirty-nine known to be dead, eight still missing and twenty-five dangerously injured, was today's revised toll of last night's wreck Areasses railroad gasolene motor car at Tipton Ford, Mo., ten miles from here. A coroner's inquest 'nto the wrock will be held late today at Neoshe.

British Fleet ATSEA OFF COAST OF NEW ENGLAND

Captain of Uranium Says Two German Warships Were Sunk by British Ships.

RUMOR OF FIGHT

STORY IS NOT VERIFIED

Wireless Report Stated that Kaiser's Crnisers Were Chasing the Lusitania.

Battleship Florida, in War Trim

WILL WATCH THE VATERLAND

Takes Position Near Suspected German Liner. WARSHIPS ARE OFF THE COAST

Incoming Liners Hear Them Ex-

changing Messages VIOLATES NEUTRALITY OF U. S.

German Tower at Sayville, Long

Island, Continues Sending Mesanges to the German Warships.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6 .- Captain Hessig of the Uranium line steamer Uranium announced at the British consulate today that he had intercepted yesterday wireless messages from the steamer Lusitania saying that two German cruisers which had been pursuing the Lusitania had been chased and sunk by two British warships. The Uranium reached

port yesterday. Uranium line officials who saw Captain Hessig after his arrival here said that the captain had not reported intercepting such a message and that they were unable to confirm it.

which the alleged message from the Lusitania was addressed, according to Captain Hessig, said today that it had not

received such a message The message, Captain Hessig said, contained the additional information that the Lusitania was continuing on its trip to England. The Lusitania sailed from New York, with darkened lights, shortly before

o'clock yesterday morning. Further word of the big English liner, Lusitania, dodging German cruisers in a race for England, was brought to New York today by the oll tank steamer, Tonawanda, from London and Antwerp. Cap. tain Hart said that yesterday he heard the Lusitania in wireless communication with the British cruiser Essex, saying that a foreign cruiser was following i and asking the Essex to stand by. Later plant employs 10,000 men. In addition to the Essex went in search of the foreigner During three days past, said Captain Hart, the wireless brought news of the presence of British, French and German None was sighted, however The French liner, La Lorraine, bearing nearly 1,000 reservists bound for France was seen seventy miles east of Fire is

(Continued on Page Two.)

Buying and Selling Stocks is Resumed Upon Cash Basis

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.-The stock exand other cities in the United States and change has decided to remove prohibition against trading inaugurated after the exchange suspended operations last Thurs over from last week.

Some exchange members have issued a tentative list of quotations. All business done under these conditions will be on a securities from Investors.

No Reply to Wilson's Offer of Mediation

been received today from any of the European capitals as to whether the ten-The Mauretania sailed from Liverpool der of good offices by President Wilson at 4:55 p. m. August 1, amid the utmost bad actually been received.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.-No word had

The National Capital

Thursday, August, 6, 1814. The Senate.

Mrs. Wilson.
Adjourned at 5:20 p. m. to il s. m.

The House.

Fights Germans On High Seas

BULLETIN. LONDON, Aug. 7.—(1:42 a. m.—

The British fleet has engaged the German fleet on the high seas. The British warships are reported to be driving th Germans toward the Dutch

coast.

British Cruiser Hits Mine; Over

LONDON, Aug. 6 .- (6:10 p. m.) -An admiralty report says that the British cruiser Amphion was sunk this morning by striking a mine. Paymaster J. T. Gedge and 130 men were lost. The captain, sixteen offiers and 135 men were saved.

A previous report said that the German mine layer Koenigin Luise probably had placed some mines before it was sunk by the British torpedo boat Lance.

Latest Scenes in Big War Drama

Sveaborg, "Gibraltar of the Baltic," was bombarded by German fleet.

British destroyers have been in action in the North sea and twenty-two German and six British wounded sailors have reached

Belgian reports of Wednesday's battle between German and Belrian troops at Liege give the Ger man casualities as 8,000 and those of the Belglans as rela-

tively small, British regiments at Tien Tain

hina were ordered south. More than twenty German merchant vessels have been taken by

the British. A report from Paris says Germany has threatened Italy with war unless it supports the other members of the Triple Alliance. Austrians renewed the bombardment of Belgrade, Servia.

The German ambassador left London. The bank of England reduced its discount rate from 10 to 6 per

Food supplies in Paris continue plentiful, with prices only slightly

above normal. Only a slight skirmish, with few casualties, was reported from

the Franco-German frontier. German officers arrested in Ostend as spies are to be shot by the Belgians.

The American embassy assumed charge of German interests in the British Isles.

ALL EYES TURNED TO THE NORTH SEA

Great Britain is Hourly Expecting News of a Great Naval Fight.

BRING PRISONERS TO HARWICH

Arrival of Number of German and English Bluejackets Adds to the Tense Excitement Already Prevailing.

LONDON, Aug. 6.-England waited to day with anxiety for reports of the move ments of the British fleet, of which virtually nothing had been heard since its departure some days ago under sealed orders. All eyes were turned toward the North Sea, whither it was generally as sumed the war vessels had gone to encounter the German battleship squadron Reports of firing and the arrival of s number of wounded German and British Met at il s. m.

Petitions poured in for the passage of the bill to remove restrictions against hips seeking American register.

Senutor Kern announced the death of bluejackets at Harwich on the east coast been contact between vessels of the o

posing navis. The morning passed off, however, with out any more definite signs of an important clash between the powerful squad-

Messages from Belgium appeared to indicate that the check of the Germans outside Liege yesterday had been a severe (Continued on Page Three.)

ANOTHER ARMY

German Crown Prince with Twenty Thousand Fresh Men Hourly Expected at Liege.

WEDNESDAY'S BATTLE BLOODY

Eight Thousand Germans Reported Killed and Wounded in Attack on Liege

ASSAULT ON FORT IS REPULSED

German Brigade Attempts to Take Place at Point of Bayonet and is Mowed Down.

Hundred Men Lost GERMANS CAPTURE CASTLE

It is Promptly Reduced to Ruins by Belgian Artillery.

HEAVY FIGHTING AT VISE Squadron of Belgian Lancers Re-

ported Wiped Out After it Had Killed One Hundred and Fifty Uhlans.

BULLETIN. LONDON, Aug. 6 .- A dispatch to the Chronicle from Amsterdam says the German crown prince, with 20,-000 fresh troops, is hourly expected

before Liege. It is reported that 3,500 Germans were killed or wounded in the fighting at Vise, Belgium. The postmaster of the town was shot because he refused to send telegrams for the Germans, the correspondent says.

PARIS, Aug. 6 (4:50 p. m.)-Official announcement is made that the battle continues to rage around Liege this afternoon. The German shell fire has reduced two of the Liege forts, but the Belgians continue to

resist with untiring energy. The German were able to use their light siege guns against the forts of Liege, which are thirty years old. Two of them were silenced and the German columns broke through. The other forts are holding out. The Belgians are making a determined

resistance before the city. The situation at Liege, according to the latest dispatches, was as fol-

lows: It seemed certain that the fortifications could not stop the German army and the only question was whether its advance could be delayed. The fortifications already had held it for thirty-six hours and the fierce struggle the Germans had made and would still have to make, it was believed, would compel them

to pause and revictual. If the German army succeeds in carrying Liege it will find itself confronted by an entrenched camp at Namur, at which the Belgians are preparing to make a stand as fierce

as that at Liege. The Belgian army was brilliantly fulfilling its task of delaying the German advance and it appeared certain the German staff's plan of cam-

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